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Board # 15 prepares for new year

by Ariel White

The new English Language District School Board #15 is gearing up to begin the task of amalgamating Haliburton, Victoria and Muskoka boards of education, thanks to the long hours and effort of the Local Education Improvement Committee. The new board, which is still only identified by a number, is preparing to meet today (December 1) to get on with the business of streamlining the new "mega board".

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Saunders retires

by Ariel White

After six and a half years the Director of Education for Haliburton County, Brad Saunders, has decided to resign. Saunders formally handed over his letter of resignation at the school board meeting held on Tuesday, November 25. In the wake of the school board's amalgamation, Saunders felt that it was a fitting time to make the move.

"I thought that it was an appropriate
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Look who's here!

Excited and eager children lined the Main Street of Minden Saturday afternoon, waiting for the arrival of one special individual. Santa made his annual appearance in the community as the featured guest of the annual pre-Christmas parade. For more photos from the day's parade, please turn to page 5.

Province-wide test results for Haliburton County

Grade 3 students above the average

by Ariel White

The grade three students of Haliburton county have apparently been doing their homework.

The pupils have come out on top in many of the provincial results from last spring's province-wide testing. Haliburton County students ranked close to or above the provincial average in reading, writing and mathematics testing.

The tests were administered over a ten day period last April. The results were then grouped by county and compared each individual county to the provincial average.

Dale Robinson, the superintendent of education for the Haliburton Board presented the figures at the board of education meeting on Tuesday No-

vember 27. He was obviously proud of the results and felt that the trustees should also feel that their work had paid off. "I hope that you are going to take as much pride in this as I have. We have had good results," said Robinson. "I think that it is a time to celebrate some of the things we do."

Robinson explained that the results were divided into four groups or levels of performance. Level one was considered an entry level position, level two included students with a basic understanding of material, level three was above average and level four indicated an outstanding level of comprehension. He said that the goal was to have a low number of students in the first two categories and a high number of students in the final two categories.

In Haliburton county, 52% of grade

three students ranked above average or outstanding in reading, 35% in mathematics and 45% were above average or outstanding in writing skills. All of these percentages exceed the provincial average.

In a correlation of Haliburton, Hastings, Muskoka, Victoria, Northumberland and Clarington, and Peterborough County boards of education, Haliburton has consistently higher numbers of students at the above average and outstanding levels. Haliburton is also the smallest of these school boards.

Dale Robinson feels that this is definitely a contributing factor in Haliburton's success. "I think that it is a vote for smallness. Communication is very good in a small board," he said. Robinson also pointed out that Haliburton County averaged better in the test-

ing than both the Victoria and Muskoka boards, with which Haliburton is amalgamating in the new year.

Director of Education Brad Saunders is also very gratified that the grade three results were so positive. "I am very proud of how our grade three students have done. But the results were not by accident. We have a number of talented teachers in the county," said Saunders.

Both Robinson and Saunders attributed the success of the students to the large number of computers available in the Haliburton County system. Where the neighbouring boards had from one to three per cent of their grade three students using computers, Haliburton had 25 per cent of grade three students actively using computers.

New look

Infant Development Consultant Claire Sylvan explained the significance of the new logo, at the open house for Family Services of Haliburton County on Friday. Sylvan said that the mature tree represented diversity, strength, change and flexibility. The organization, located on Eastern Avenue in Haliburton Village, provides counselling, testing, development and resources for children and families in the county.



New board takes over at Chamber

The Haliburton Highland Chamber of Commerce has a new chairman and executive. Members of the organization elected the executive by mail-in ballot and following the group's first meeting last Wednesday, Bryan Kernohan of Kernohan Construction was selected as president.

"The time has come to find out exactly what people want the Chamber of Commerce to do," Kernohan said reacting to his selection as president. "We must ensure what people want gets done, and that we do it within the financial resources we have available."

This is Kernohan's first term on the executive of the business organization. His election to the group's top post came as a bit of a surprise.

Acknowledging that the organization has been through some rough times, Kernohan said he wants to hear from Chamber members, the political leadership in the county and the citizens at large. "We have some fence-mending to do," he commented. "It is time for the Chamber to work as a team...I certainly can't do it by myself. I want to hear from everyone about the future of the county. It is unlikely the Chamber can be all things to everyone, but we need input and support. I am willing to listen and if we can't use an idea that is offered I am prepared to say why."

Kernohan is a trustee on the Haliburton County Board of Education whose mandate ends December

31. The new president described the Chamber of Commerce as, "...a one tier marketing system that must be used to market the entire county. There is a need to create jobs, especially for the 25 to 35 year old group," he said.

He expects the Chamber to be supportive of events and functions taking place in the county and to assist in attracting visitors to the area. He pointed out that tourism marketing is definitely the Chamber's strong suit and is something the new

executive should build on. However, he also suggested there could be other things the organization should be doing to boost the economy. Kernohan noted that the Chamber has been

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AHM council not opposed to Sunday liquor sales

The council of Anson, Hindon and Minden does not oppose the Sunday opening of liquor and beer stores within the municipality.

Deputy Reeve Jerry Rome noted that if consumers want alcohol, "they'll find it somewhere."

Councillor Daryl Moore said he believes the government's decision to allow such outlets

to be open on Sundays in municipalities which approve, is the first step toward privatizing liquor and beer retail outlets.

In addition, Moore said, "Why would you want to stop traffic (coming into town) on Sunday?"

In a letter to council, Gar Sherwood, Vice President, Retail Division of the LCBO, states, "Should your municipal-

ity wish to object to the opening of retail outlets selling beverage alcohol in your community, please advise me in writing and we will honour your wishes as quickly as possible."

Council passed a resolution noting that it has no objection to the opening of alcohol retailers in spite of a letter from the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District

Health Unit encouraging the municipal government to oppose the Sunday opening.

The Health Unit states that alcohol is not just another consumer product, but rather is a mind-altering drug that is implicated in injury, crime, violence, motorized vehicle accidents and death.

The Health Unit is concerned that the added availability of alcoholic

beverages may increase the prevalence and severity of alcohol-related problems, such as impaired driving, suicide and homicide.

"The cost in Ontario due to alcohol use each year amounts to \$5.8-bil-

lion, including an estimated \$2.9-billion in health care costs, \$1-billion in social welfare costs, \$1-billion in labour and productivity costs and \$800-million in law enforcement costs," the Health Unit letter states.

Skateboarding park concerns expressed

Ron Cox, representing the Minden Agricultural Society, attended the November 27 meeting of Anson, Hindon and Minden council to talk about the conversion of the concrete slab at the old curling club site to a skateboarding park.

Cox asked if the Agricultural Society/Fair Board would be required to insure the facility, since it has control of the fairgrounds. He noted that for the fair, the board must itemize the activities which are to be covered under its insurance policy.

Reeve Jeanne Anthon said she thought the municipality's insurance would cover use by the skateboarders.

"The fair board should not be liable in any way," Anthon said. She said the municipality will investigate the insurance matter for clarification.

Although the Quonset building is still standing, Public Works Superintendent Clayton Cameron said it should be demolished by Christmas. The fixtures inside the building have already been removed.

Another concern Cox voiced was regarding the fencing of the area once the building has been dis-

mantled. Cameron stated that the fence along Bobcaygeon Road would be extended to close off the area. Another fence would be installed around the concrete pad to isolate the area for the skateboarders.

Cox noted that the Fair Board would like to use

the area during the fair for a special event such as radio controlled car races. He said that he knows of a fair that has been holding such competitions for about three years and it has become very popular.

He wanted to make sure that there would not be a conflict over use of

the area during the fair.

Councillor Daryl Moore noted that the Recreation Committee was meeting December 1 and he invited Cox to attend that meeting since skateboarding representatives will be there to discuss what they have in mind for the site.

AHM gives support in principle to Nordic ski trail take-over by HCSA

The council of Anson, Hindon and Minden supports, in principle, the efforts of the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association (HCSA) to develop a snowmobile trail on the former Nordic ski trail from the Minden arena to Hart Lodge.

The Nordic ski group did some work on the trail but found that it was unsuitable for its purposes. Nordic Trails officials have agreed to allow the snowmobile association to take over the trail for snowmobile use.

The trail currently weaves back and forth

across the road allowance and onto various parcels of private property. HCSA officials have promised to survey and move the trail onto the right-of-way as soon as possible (within two years).

Steve Berry, business administrator and vice president of the HCSA asked council for its support.

"This trail has public money invested in it and it is ready for use now, with very little investment required," Berry pointed out in his letter to council. "It will be a per-

manent route north once we move it back onto the right-of-way from where it has strayed."

Berry noted that the club's north-south link out of Minden has been in jeopardy many times because of changes in land ownership.

"It was closed in late February by one landowner last year," Berry said. "It is imperative that Minden is linked to the rest of the trail system to the north."



MERRY CHRISTMAS: Ronno, a children's entertainer, sang and danced at Hyland Crest on Saturday. The concert, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Minden, delighted dozens of area children as well as many Hyland Crest residents. Santa also put in a surprise appearance at the party before his engagement at the Minden Santa Claus Parade. If you didn't get a chance to see Ronno this time, he will be returning to the area on January 25, as part of the Children's Concert Series.

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Public input sought for Highway 35 changes

A public information session, hosted by the Ministry of Transportation, was held on November 26 at the Minden Community Centre. MTO officials presented a preliminary design study to Minden area residents concerning possible improvements to Highway 35 from the southern junction of Highways 35 and 121 north to Horseshoe Lake Road One.

The Ministry of Transportation retained the services of Giffels Associates Limited to produce the study. The consulting engineers looked at the traffic volume of the highways as well as comparing the study area to current standards for lane width and length.

According to Terry Barber, the project manager for the northern region of the Ministry of Transportation, these standards, along with the traffic volume, change

over the course of time which results in the need for reconstruction. Barber said that the information meeting is a standard practice that not only informs the public of any possible changes, but lets local residents comment on the study. "We asked the engineers to come up with a scenario that we could accept and present it to the public. All comments will be considered and answered," said Barber.

The study noted several items in the designated area that require improvements. Some of the preferred initial improvements included pavement resurfacing throughout the area, creating a partially or fully paved shoulder, standardizing lane widths, traffic lights at the intersection of Highway 35 and Newcastle St./South Lake Road, as well as left turn lanes, and an ex-

tended turning lane for Main St. at the highway. There is also the possibility of a truck climbing lane from Spring Valley Road (or the old Lutterworth boundary road) to the south junction of Highways 35 and 121, but this project would be subject to additional funding. All of these initial improvements could be established sometime in the next five years.

Other improvements were also noted, but would be considered as ultimate improvements, or projects that would be appraised in the future. These included traffic lights at the intersections of Highway 35 and Prince St. within 20 to 25 years and traffic lights at the northern junction of Highways 35 and 121 in the next 15 to 20 years. Barber said that these refurbishments would

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School Board #15 is looking for a name

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The LEIC has been preparing a report for the new trustees, (one from Haliburton, three from Muskoka and five from Victoria), that will include the information they will need to get the new board up and running

Director steps down

(from page one)

time for change with the boards amalgamating. I had to make some decisions about the late night meetings and long drives. I came to the conclusion that the director would have to make a five year commitment to the new board and I felt that I couldn't do that," said Saunders in a telephone interview.

It was an emotional moment during the meeting as the director announced his retirement. Saunders broke down while reading his letter of resignation. The letter thanked a number of people including the superintendents on the board Jim Bradley and Dale Robinson, the trustees, as well as the teachers' federation representatives. Saunders stated that it had been, "...a privilege to be a director."

Chair of the School Board Cheryl Murdoch was obviously saddened by Saunders' departure, but said that she would accept his resignation. "We don't like it, but we have to accept it. We knew this was coming. It's been a great six years," said Murdoch.

Saunders' resignation came a week after Dianne Dalton, the director of education for the Victoria County Board of Education, announced her retirement from that board.

Murdoch said that the new district school board will miss their experience and enthusiasm for education. "We were very, very sorry to see them go. We would have like to see them go on to the new board, but we have to respect their decisions." Murdoch also felt that as the possibility of downsizing within the new board looms, Dalton and Saunders were stepping down in order to make room for other board staff.

Saunders has worked at many levels within the public school system, mostly in northern Ontario. Before his six and half years as director of education in Haliburton, he was a school superintendent with the Nipissing School Board. Prior to that, Saunders was a principal in Fort Francis and vice principal in Dryden. He was in the guidance department for a Welland, Ontario high school and also taught for seven years in the Niagara Peninsula. Saunders' first teaching position was in his home town of Windsor, Ontario.

Although Saunders only plans for the short term are to, "...sit around and put my feet up," he has several ideas for the future. He has been inquiring about attending law school. Saunders said that the law has always intrigued him, and it would be an interesting experience to become a student once again. "This is merely the end of one phase and the beginning of another," he concluded.

in a timely fashion. The report makes several recommendations on what items must be dealt with immediately, in a short time and for the long term. This report has not yet been approved by the LEIC nor the provincial governing body, the EIC.

Chair of the LEIC, Cheryl Murdoch, said at a Haliburton County school board meeting November 25, that the initial meeting would be a lengthy one as there were many items that needed to be addressed, such as appointing an acting director and a student trustee, as well as establishing policies and procedures. "We need to get the new trustees up to speed," said Murdoch, who is currently the chair of the Haliburton County Board of Education and a trustee for Lutterworth Township.

There are four individuals on the new board who are new to the job, two from Victoria and two from Muskoka. The trustees for the district school board include: Roger Chamberlain of Windermere, Rick Johnson of Pontypool, Bonnie Kennedy of Lindsay, Linda Matthews of Bracebridge, Cheryl Murdoch of Minden, Judy Saunders of Omemee, Reid Scott of

Fenelon Falls and Sharon Summers of Kirkfield.

The new board will oversee 45 elementary and seven secondary schools, with a staff of over 1800.

After today's initial caucus of District School Board #15, there will be an official inaugural meeting, tentatively scheduled for December 15 in Lindsay. Some of the possible items on the agenda for this meeting may include setting up a board-wide communication system, the creation of a plan for Special Education as well provisions for Outdoor and Adult Education programs. The interim headquarters for the new board will be the current offices of the Victoria County Board of Education, with district offices at the current locations in Haliburton and Muskoka.

The school board will also be accepting submissions for possible names for the board, until the end of December. Any resident, including school staff and students may submit a name to any local school or send it to:

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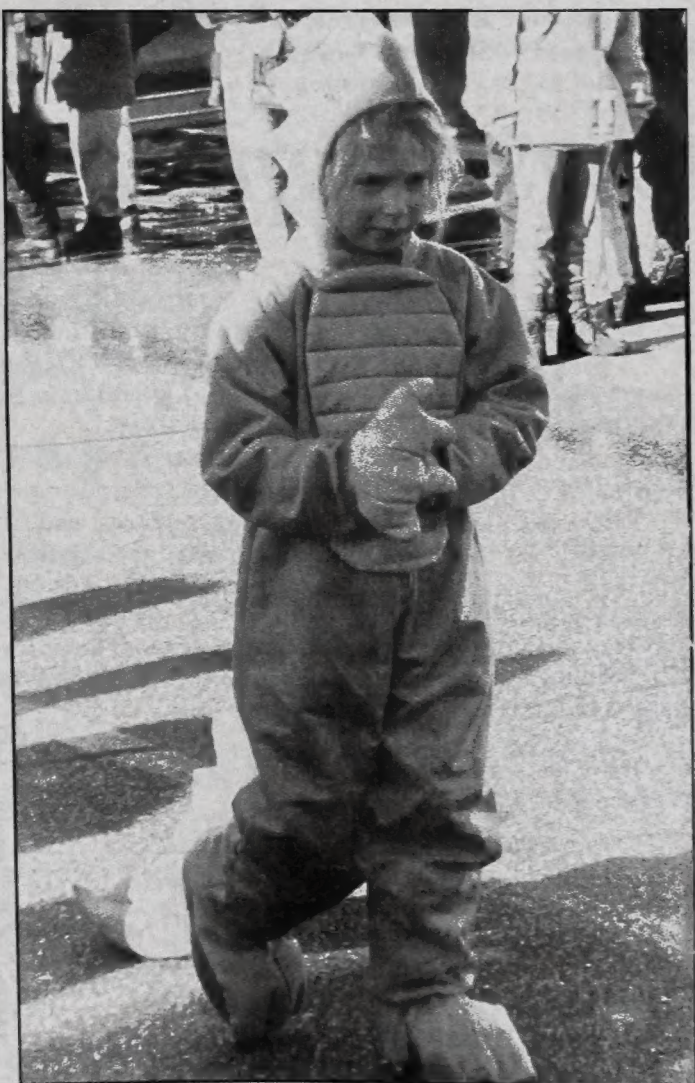
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Editorial

Thank you

An era is coming to a close across Ontario. Locally, it was marked last Tuesday as the Haliburton County Board of Education held what will likely be its last full board meeting. Starting January 1, a newly expanded board, encompassing Haliburton and Victoria Counties and the District of Muskoka, will assume whatever responsibilities are left to them in the administration of education for district 15. Where ratepayers in the county were once represented by 14 trustees, there will now be only one and much of the decision-making power will be stripped from the new board and rest with the Minister of Education or senior bureaucrats in Toronto.

However, before the door is finally closed on this chapter we must pay

tribute to the many individuals who helped make the present system function as well as it did. And it did work reasonably well, despite the vilification which has been heaped upon it in recent years and months. It wasn't perfect. No system designed by humans in an effort to be equitable to as many members of the community as possible will ever be close to perfect. The system however made a darn good attempt at representing the interests of the community in the delivery of educational services.

The best interest of the students was always foremost in the minds of the citizens who served as trustees. They cared about the staff, the buildings, the facilities, the pro-

grams and most of all the students, with determination and passion. Their job was rarely easy, not only in the endless schedule of meetings, but in the often competing interests which surrounded many of their decisions. The trustees who served the Haliburton County Board of Education certainly weren't there for the money. There was greater "glory" to be found in other arenas. It was the sheer satisfaction of building something positive for the community, and more importantly for the children of the community, which fired most trustees.

For that interest and dedication over the years, the community is most grateful. The effort was not in vain. Though their jobs have disappeared, the trustees leave behind a legacy which will live on for years to come. We thank you.

jb

Meeting was about continuing the fight

Editor:

Re: Wanted to hear about both sides: letter of November 24:

I would like to thank Krysty and her parents for showing their concern for the education system by attending the meeting in Minden to oppose Bill 160.

The purpose of the meeting was to find ways of carrying on the fight against this dreadful legislation. It was never my intention to provide a soap box for those who applaud the teacher bashing that the Conservative government has been dishing out.

The government has spent millions of dollars on advertising for Bill 160. The ads, however, have been nothing but a smokescreen, littered with deceit. I suspect this is where Krysty gained her information about teachers coming in late and leaving early.

I'm surprised that Krysty has taken offence to the audience's reaction to Mr. Dobbins' comments. Mr. Dobbins offered a different perspective to the issue and the audience response that I saw and heard was a boisterous round of applause.

As Krysty notes, Susan Carr, the student speaker on the panel, participated in the

protest. I believe she was an excellent choice for a meeting that was meant to oppose Bill 160.

It is unfortunate that Krysty's expectations of the meeting were not met. I encourage her to write or call Chris Hodgson,

MPP for Victoria-Haliburton, and ask him why he is in favour of these radical changes to the education system.

Russ Duhaime,
Snowdon Township.

Hometown shopping

Editor:

"Let's go shopping in Barrie, Lindsay and Peterborough...."

Let's not!

Let's try to do our Christmas shopping in our Home Town first!

Granted, our local merchants don't have everything that the bigger centres carry, but it is surprising what can be found in town.

Let's support our local stores: they're here for us and our convenience. My experience is that if a store doesn't have exactly what I'm looking for, they'll try to get it.

There is a lot to be said for small town shopping. Last year I decided to sew a gift

a few days before Christmas. I found the fabric and all the necessary notions in town. All I needed was a pattern. Lou Anne of Country Fabric was kind enough to loan me her own pattern. I doubt I would have been that lucky at Zeller's or K-Mart.

I've had a customer leave a signed blank cheque with me when she ordered something. There is a certain amount of trust and friendship in supporting our local merchants.

Once again, our stores in Haliburton County don't always have the same selection, but I would encourage everyone to at least look over the selection before leaving for a "city" shopping spree.

Ethel Muli,
Minden.

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Health Unit rejects expanded hours for liquor and beer stores

The following is a press release issued by the Health Unit in November in response to the province's plans to open beer and liquor stores on Sundays.

The Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit has expressed concern with the recent announcement by the Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations to permit Sunday openings of liquor and beer stores.

The HKPRD Board of Health has passed a resolution in opposition to Sunday alcohol sales until such time as the province establishes comprehensive standards relating to the availability of alcohol.

"Ontario needs healthy public policy that supports low risk drinking. Alcohol is not just another retail product whose consumption should be maximized, increasing the hours of operation, provides greater availability of alcohol and its resulting problems," said Alex Hukowich, Medical Officer of Health.

He says studies have confirmed that the greater the availability of alcohol in society, the greater the prevalence and severity of alcohol-related problems. While legal and socially acceptable, it is a mind-altering drug that is the cause of much injury, crime, violence and death. If this decision is based

on consumer economics then Hukowich calls the decision short-sighted. He cautions that while the provincial government takes in \$1.4 billion a year as a result of alcohol sales, the cost in Ontario due to alcohol use each year amount to a staggering \$5.8 billion in health care, social welfare, labour and productivity, and law enforcement costs.

"Public health concerns related to alcohol are being ignored," commented Hukowich. "It is insufficient to leave it up to individuals to drink responsibly." Limiting sales helps reduce availability of alcohol and its resulting problems. He suggests the government of Ontario could go further by establishing comprehensive standards on the number of retail alcohol outlets in a given community: for example by type per 1000 population, including seasonal and tourist populations. Both the LLBO and the LCBO could use such criteria in determining the need for increased availability based on hours of sale, or increased number of liquor licences.

Hukowich takes exception to the comments made by the Minister, David Tsubouchi that the LCBO is responding to consumer demand for increased shopping convenience.

"The simple fact is that the majority of

Ontario residents are not in favour of increased access to alcohol in this province."

He cites an Addiction Research Foundation (ARF), 1995 report in which 86 percent of Ontario residents stated that beer and liquor store hours should remain the same or decrease. "Clearly, the importance of convenience to the typical Ontario resident has been dramatically over-estimated."

Hukowich believes the consequences of this decision will have a negative impact on our communities. The Ministry of Consumer and Commercial relations has stated that local LCBO or Beer Stores will base their decision to open on whether or not there is municipal support and sufficient business to cover additional expenses. To date, a number of Ontario municipalities have publicly opposed Sunday alcohol sales, including Fenelon Falls in Victoria County. The Health Unit plans to contact municipal offices in the area to ensure the public health and alcohol policy concerns are given careful consideration when the issue of Sunday openings is discussed by councils.

The Health Unit is mandated by the province to help reduce the rate of alcohol and other substance-related injuries or deaths by 20 percent by the year 2010; as well as reducing the percentage of the adult population who drink more than two drinks per days by 20 percent by the year 2010.

Name that bug

Immortality? A fate worse than death!

I don't think a lot of folks would agree with Edgar Shoff, the man who penned the aforementioned sentiment. I think most people would give their left lung for the chance to live forever. We are not the least bit satisfied, swallowing the bitter knowledge that we are no more than flimsy moths around the candle flame of Life. That's why we wear girdles, dye our hair, lather on wrinkle cream and make doctors rich by purchasing lip enhancements, boob lifts and bum tucks. We like to pretend to the rest of the world that we're utterly ageless.

Unfortunately, in the game of body alterations, there's only one rule: Gravity bats last. If you don't believe me, look at Nancy Reagan, Joan Rivers and the actress Eartha Kitt. They've all spent fortunes on plastic surgery. They all look like anorexic vampire bats.

There are other ways to chase immortality — fame, for instance. But it's no lead pipe cinch either. I am sure, in their heydays, that Rudolph Valentino and Clara Bow thought they'd be household words forever. But a modern teenager wouldn't know if they were people or ice cream flavours.

Sometimes fate can be especially cruel. Your name becomes immortal but you are utterly forgotten. Do you know who Buick is? Or Chevrolet? How about the Amana who got all those freezers named after him? Or the Norden who invented the World War II bombsight?

Gone. Forgotten like umpteen hundred thousand Smiths and Joneses before them. Fortunately, there is a way to become im-

mortal. And wouldn't you know it — Canadians are responsible for it. Canadian entomologists, as a matter of fact, in the employ of the University of Manitoba.

The U of M, like most non-profit institutions trying to live through the Chretien Crunch, is strapped for cash. But the university's department of entomology is not going to die without a whimper. It's fighting back. By selling immortality.

It works like this: a bunch of the boys in the bug department were sitting around one day talking about what they could do to generate some cash flow. One of them mentioned that all they had in the way of assets was several hundred billion creepy crawly critters "And," added one of them ruefully, "nearly half of them haven't even been named yet." Which is when the light bulb of opportunity went incandescent for the entomologists. Why not, they asked themselves, sell off insect labeling rights to well-heeled, immortality-seeking Canadians? Said Canuck customers would get to see their names live on in learned scientific journals, and the scientific community would pick up some very much needed cash. "Most of these names last forever" says Robert Roughly, a spokesman for the Entomology Department. Roughly also admits that the idea wasn't exactly original. The London Stock Exchange has been selling off names of bugs found in Costa Rica for more than a year now. "Certainly it's been done in the past" admits Roughly, "But we think it's an idea whose time has come back." How does it work? Dead

simple. You, with Visa card in hand, call up the University of Manitoba Department of Entomology. They read you out a list of insects that are ready, willing and able to carry your name down the corridors of eternity.

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And just to get the ball rolling, the folks in the U of M Entomology Department have named two hitherto anonymous insects after one of our former illustrious leaders.

You won't be surprised to learn that, among his many national depredations as prime minister, Brian Mulroney slashed government funds for research and development, severely crippling work at universities right across the country, not least at the University of Manitoba.

Do the Manitoban academics bear a grudge? Hah! You underestimate the generosity of spirit to be found in the U of M's Entomology Department. Why, already they've named two bugs after the ex-PM, absolutely free.

One is the Mulroney insect, a near-sighted bug with a nasty bite. The other is the Meech Fly, a small winged creature that lives on dung and inhabits the Meech Lake area.

A spontaneous gesture of good will, the entomologists call it.

Type casting, I call it.

Etcetera

Arthur Black

HHSS students remember Bob Sisson

by Jamie Read, HHSS student reporter

The tragic, unfair death of popular Haliburton High School student Bob Sisson affected the entire community of Haliburton County and opened our eyes to many harsh realities.

Since the death of Bob, more local high school students have become aware of the dangers associated with drinking and driving and ultimately, the fight against drunk driving seems to be growing stronger.

Bob Sisson was a beautiful and gentle soul whose spirit will forever live and grow in our fondest memories. His untimely death has left a mark in all of our hearts. But we have all learned to move on and to be thankful for the time we shared with him and the wonderful laughter he gave us all. Bob always so effortlessly put a smile on our faces.

Last Tuesday, high school students, teachers, close friends, and Bob's parents gathered in the small gym

for a short but significant memorial service in his honor.

Reverend Christopher Greaves shared a prayer with the students, Principal Mr. Brohman shared a few touching words, and Grade 11 student Kate Campbell read a beautiful poem which reminded us all of Bob.

But the most touching part of the service was the unveiling of a portrait of the many famous faces of Bob Sisson, painted by OAC student Caitlin Petit.



Bob Sisson

The portrait will be hung proudly in what will soon be the new and improved school gymnasium.

A new bursary in Bob's name, will also be awarded through the Arts and Theatre department of the school. Bob excelled as an actor and musician. The Bursary will be presented during the annual awards ceremony in the fall.

The Students' Council also announced that it would sponsor a seat in Bob's name in the new performing arts centre to be constructed at the high school. The group raising funds for the centre have told the SAC that a front row, centre seat has been reserved to honour Bob.

Everyone who knew Bob agrees that the portrait, bursary and the dedication of the seat are great ways to preserve Bob's memory.

As the saying goes, "The departed live peacefully on in the memory of those with the faith to remember the happiness."

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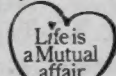
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Bantam A Monarchs win B championship

By Jerry Grozelle

The Minden Bantam A Monarchs came home from a tournament in Bobcaygeon with the B Division championship.

The Monarchs were edged out of the A division by the host Bobcaygeon squad in the opening game of the tournament, when they gave up a close 2-1 decision.

Justin Bull was the lone Minden marksman, pulling the trigger on a setup from Jarrett Rowden and Gavin Simms.

Bull's goal gave the Monarchs a 1-0 second-period lead. But the Caygeon team evened the score with just over a minute left in the middle frame, then notched the winner early in the third.

Minden 3, Port Perry 1

The Monarchs put the first game behind them and buckled down when they took on Port Perry in their second match-up of the tournament.

Following a scoreless first period, the Monarchs drew first blood two minutes into the second. Rowden was the Minden sniper, from Gaten Davis.

Port Perry struck early in the third frame to tie the game at the 2:02 mark. It took the Monarchs just 30 seconds to regain the lead. Rowden notched his second of the game, from Bull and Dave Byrnes and Minden was ahead 2-1.

Rowden rounded out his hat trick with 1:34 remaining. Gary Kernohan assisted.

Minden 7, Bowmanville 1

The B division final pitted the Monarchs against Bowmanville. Buoyed by the win over Port Perry, the Monarchs marched to a 7-1 victory to grab the B division hardware.

Minden jumped into the lead three and a half minutes after the opening

Bobcaygeon tournament



B CHAMPS: The Minden Novice A team is seen here before a practice at the Minden arena. The Monarchs were B Division champions at the tournament in Bobcaygeon. Team members include, front row (l to r): Trevor Woods, Gary Kernohan, Philip Deville, Gavin Simms and Kent Greer. Back row (l to r): Coach Louie Reynolds, Shayne Walker, Justin Bull, Gaten Davis, David Byrnes, Mitch Johnson, Jarrett Rowden and trainer Tracy Nesbitt.

faceoff. Bull was the sharpshooter, from Davis and Kernohan. Bull made it 2-0 at the 5:04 mark of the first, from Kernohan and Rowden. Thirty seconds later, Rowden netted one for a 3-0 Minden lead. Simms and Kernohan set that one up. Rowden notched his second of the game 45 seconds later, from Simms and Davis and the Monarchs took a 4-0 lead into the second period.

The middle frame saw Rowden score again, for his second hat trick in as many games. Kernohan and Kent

Greer assisted. With a minute and a half left in the second, Davis scored. Bull and Greer set up Minden's sixth goal.

Early in the third, Kernohan scored, from Rowden and Greer, giving Minden a 7-0 lead.

Adam Payne was just four and a half

minutes from picking up a shutout when Bowmanville got on the scoreboard to cancel that possibility.

Rowden, with his three goals and two assists, was named Minden's most valuable player of the B division championship game.

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Minden team advances

by Sandy Cole

Congratulations to the team of Cheryl Murdoch, Dwight Thomas, Carol Puffer and Ian Cavanagh, who won the Zone Mixed Playdowns, held in Ennismore. This team will now move on and represented the Minden Curling Club at the Regional Mixed Playdowns in Richmond Hill this past weekend. (More on this next week.)

Minden Junior Curling tickets are on sale now at \$2 each. First prize is \$500, second is \$300 and third is \$100. Early bird prizes (to both the buyer and seller) will be awarded December 19 and February 2. Get your tickets early.

New Year's Eve alert! Once again, the club will be holding a great New Year's Eve bash with a DJ, prizes, buffet and champagne at midnight. Get your tickets today from executive members or at the bar. Prices are \$20 per couple or \$12 single and all are welcome. So, bring a friend and ring in the new year with fun and good times.

Scores for the week of November 17 to 21.

Monday Night Ladies League

Melanie Vigrass 9, Pat Woodcroft 9
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MJ Irwin 13, Cheryl Murdoch 4

Tuesday Night Men's League

Mark Lund 8, Don Blakey 2
Jim Garbutt 8, Mike Whitmarsh 2
Ted Wilkes 5, Ross Bryant 5
Dwight Thomas 11, Bill Roodenburg 6
Bob Pollard 7, Dan Garbutt 5

Thursday Night Mixed League

Ross Davies 10, Paul Prentice 4
Cheryl Murdoch 11, Dianne Whitmarsh 5
Mike Whitmarsh 12, Kim Wood 2
Ted Wilkes 10, Bob Pollard 7

Friday Night Mixed League

Cheryl Murdoch 9, Lawrence Lougheed 6
Mark Lund 12, Zelda Cooper 5
Bill Roodenburg 9, Brian Cross 6
Ross Bryant 11, Don Blakey 2



BADGES AWARDED: Several members of the Minden Skating Club received badges recently. They are, front row (l to r): Kevin Brand, Daniel Boisvert, Greg Oitment, Jon Pawson, Jeffrey Balcombe, Ashton Hailey, Megan Cunningham, Kaitlyn Hillier, Kaitlyn Allore. Standing (l to r): Robby Hicks, Melanie Hawkins, Nikki Manuge, McKay Shaw, Katelin Cowan, Maddie Mackenzie, Madeline Stewart, Kayla Shaw, Steffy Mackenzie, Luc Boisvert, Brittany Hicks, Victoria Hillier, Andrea Pawson.

Lester brothers off to a good start in 1997-98 snow cross racing season

Luke and AJ Lester of Minden have served notice they will be the snowmobile racers to beat in their respective divisions again this season. The Lester brothers competed at the Snow Cross Racing Association (CSRA) NTN World Cup Snow Cross at Searchmont Resort near Sault Ste. Marie on November 22 and 23. The event featured more than 600 entries from across Canada, the United States and Europe. Competition in all divisions was intense, with drivers having to eliminate 60 competitors to earn a class win.

AJ Lester, riding his Steve Charity tuned Ski-Doo MX-Z from Prentice-

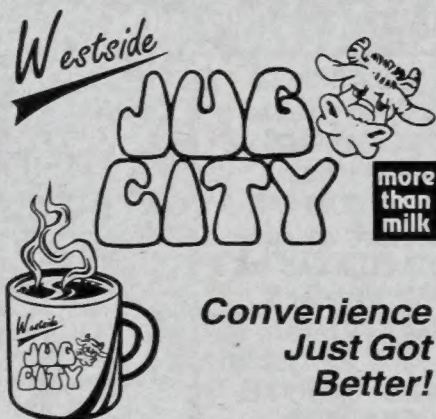
Berry in Minden, won his Novice Division qualifier on the Saturday and charged to the front of the largest ever Novice field of competitors from the moment the flag dropped in Sunday's final.

This strong start sees AJ continuing his winning streak in the CSRA's exciting Novice class. He finished off last season with an eight-race winning streak. AJ has a number of sponsors, including County Sign and Display of Minden.

Luke Lester, last year's CSRA Rookie of the Year and Super Sport Division champion, launched his fleet of

Tim George tuned Polaris snowmobiles from The Wedge of Haliburton into the lead and won all five of his class qualifiers on the Saturday. He won the Sport 500 final on Saturday night on his 440 XCR, eliminating more than 60 drivers in the process. The following day, Luke took the 600 Sport win on his XC-600, the feature class for the day, and captured a \$500 bonus. Luke also won the Junior Division final on his XCR 440, placed second overall in the sport Open division on the XC-600 and third overall in Sport 440 Fan on his XC-F. Luke is also sponsored by several companies, including Minden's County Sign and

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Novice A Monarchs defeat Mariposa 2-1

A goal in the dying seconds of the game gave the Minden Novice A Monarchs a 2-1 win over Mariposa on November 17 in Little Britain.

The Monarchs exerted strong forechecking pressure throughout the first period. Aaron Keaney scored midway through the first period on a set-up by teammates Cody Mills and Kody Smith.

Minden hung onto the lead throughout the remainder of the first period and the second as the Monarchs continued to dominate the play. The Mariposa goalie was peppered with shots, but managed to keep the Monarchs from adding to their lead.

The line of Gavin Hicks, Travis Walker and Jordan Joanu kept the pressure up, narrowly missing on several scoring opportunities. The defensive crew of Adam Gough, Justin McKelvey, Zac Joanu and Jon Petch kept the Mariposa team bottled up in its own end for most of the first two frames.

The third period saw the tide start to turn, as Mariposa turned up the heat. Mariposa notched the equalizer early in the third.

The home team continued to dominate, only to be turned back by Minden goalie Mike Lennox, who stopped three breakaways in the third period to keep the game tied at 1-1.

In the last minute of play, Aaron Keaney grabbed

the puck in the neutral zone and legged up the ice. With two seconds left on the clock, he deked the goalie and scored his 12th of the season to give the Monarchs a 2-1 win. Hicks and Smith assisted on the game-winning goal.



HOCKEY SKILLS: Nine young hockey players received their hockey skills training certificates. Pictured above (l to r) are: Matthew Allore, Gavin Hicks, Michael Lennox, Brady Hicks and Kyle Fry. Absent: Edward Cyr, Matthew Clements, Jake Ruddy and Tyler Box.



PASSED: Meghan Shaw, a member of the Minden Skating Club, recently passed her Novice 3 and 4 and Proficiency exams.

Redmen hockey team wins two out of three games

"Two outa three ain't bad," as the song goes. That is how the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Redmen hockey team made out in three Kawartha High School Hockey League games from November 20 to 24.

In the process, the Redmen outscored the opposition 15-8.

Redmen 7, Norwood 2

The November 20 game was in Norwood. The Redmen outgunned the host Knights 7-2, rebounding from a 2-1 deficit in the second period. By the end of the frame, Hal High had regained a one-goal advantage after scoring the opener in the first period.

It was all Haliburton in the third, with the Redmen adding four unanswered goals to the visitors' side of the scoreboard.

Nick Kulas and Darren Mills paced the Haliburton attack with two goals and one assist each. Ryan Anderson netted one goal and helped set up three more.

Mike Morissette scored one marker and assisted on two more and Ryan Burk notched one goal. Josh Dennis and Matt Burk picked up one helper each.

Crestwood 6, Redmen 3

The Crestwood Mustangs had better luck against the Redmen on November 24 at the Evinrude Centre in Peterborough. The Mustangs skated to a 6-3 win. They led 2-1 at the end of the first period and 5-2 when the buzzer sounded to end the middle frame.

Kulas and Matt Burk each scored one goal and assisted on another one for the Redmen. Jason Henry was the other Haliburton sharpshooter. Jarrett Rowden picked up one assist.

Redmen 6, Norwood 0

The Knights had the opportunity to avenge the 7-2 shellacking of November 20 when they came to Haliburton for a rematch. But the Redmen were prepared for Norwood's best effort.

Ashley Walker earned the shutout as the Redmen added insult to injury, blanking the Knights 6-0.

The scoring was paced with Haliburton notching two in each period. Jason Henry, Mike Morissette, Ryan Anderson, Chris Moynes, Jarrett

Rowden and Darren Mills were the snipers with one apiece. Nick Kulas had two assists to his credit, with one each going to Ryan Burk, Mills, Matt Burk, Morissette, Steve Ecclestone, Wayne Kernohan and Andrew Burtch.

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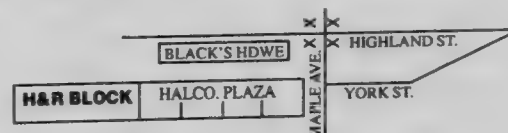
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SECTIONAL COMPETITORS: The Minden Skating Club was represented by three members at the Eastern Ontario Sectional Competition recently. All three finished sixth in their respective flights. Pictured are Kerri Matysek and Terri-Lynn Lumley. Erin Turner was unavailable for the photo. Kerri Matysek and Tori Browne from the Haliburton Skating Club will be skating in the opening number and the flag parade (which are choreographed by Minden coach Lisa Allore) at the Bank of Montreal Eastern Divisional Skating Championships December 4 to 7 in Peterborough. Tickets for the championships are available locally from Toni Carr. For information or to reserve your tickets, call Toni Carr at 286-2777.

Junior Redmen basketball team edges Weldon 49-47

-submitted-

Another season of Redmen basketball has started and it looks very promising. The Junior Redmen basketball team took to the court in early November and has been practicing hard and working to make the 1997-98 season the best yet.

Coach Irv Sternberg is very optimistic about the team members and goals they have set for themselves. Sternberg says the depth of his team this year is "12 players deep."

The basketball league in which the Redmen play consists of I.E. Weldon, LCVI and Fenelon Falls. The Redmen will play each team four times to make up a twelve game season.

Some goals that the team set were as wild as winning all twelve and as conservative as winning half of the games, which would be amazing compared to past seasons. The Redmen averaged these out and they are focusing on winning seven to nine of their league games, which everyone thought was a pretty realistic challenge. They are ready to work for it.

Another goal was to beat the league's number one team from last year, the Weldon Wildcats who just happened to be their opponent in the home opener last Tuesday, November 25.

The Redmen took to the floor energetically and ready to reach one of the goals they had previously set. The game was played before the biggest crowd ever assembled to watch

one of these games and it pumped the HHSS boys up. The Redmen came out strong and were down by two at the half. Early in the second half the patience and maturity of the team shone through and the Redmen took the lead. They were able to play well with the small cushion and reached their first goal by defeating IE Weldon 49-47.

Point guard Nick Cochrane handled the ball very well in the first game of the season and was able to set up plays to get the offence rolling. The offensive charge was led by Jesse Sternberg who scored a team high of 16 points. Kris Jamieson was close behind with 13 points and 9 rebounds and Matt Reid with 11 points and 12 boards.

Defensively, the Redmen were as strong as they have ever been, causing many turnovers and stealing a lot of basketballs.

The team members are Jay Mole, Jarrett Aggett, Taylor Goodman, Nick Cochrane, Kris Jamieson, Andrew Graham, Perry Belekokias, Tristan Pawluch, Aiden McKnight, Jeff Parish, Graham Schakelaar, Jesse Sternberg and Matt Reid.

So come out and watch the HHSS basketball team take on the LCVI Spartans Thursday, December 4 at JDHES gym at 4 p.m. Admission is free.



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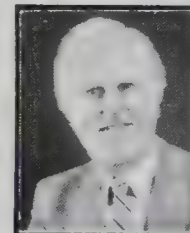
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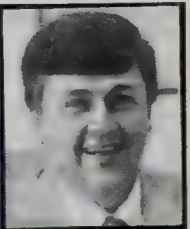
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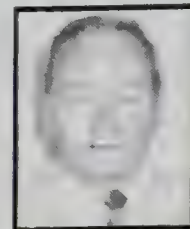
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Joanne Brown rolls 229 single

Legion 636 Mixed League

High average: Jim Hindle 189; Sheila Burke 161
High single: Jim Hindle 217; Joanne Brown 229
High single (handicap): Lloyd Brown 256; Joanne Brown 296
High triple: Jim Hindle 553; Bea James 603
High triple (handicap): Maurice Winterflood 679; Bea James 783

Tuesday Night Mixed League

High average: Fred Cox 217; Cathy Snell 214
High single: Alex Little 264; Cathy Snell 279
High single (handicap): Carl Packard 280; Cathy Snell 288
High triple: Alex Little 632; Gail Goldenberg 651

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High average: Scott Moore 244
High single: Bill Payne 291
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High triple: Bruce Cummings 706
High triple (handicap): Addie Dykstra 740

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The Food Bank food collection boxes are at Valu-Mart, IGA and at local churches. They are faced with a higher demand over this time last year. Please remember to donate! Money and other items for the Christmas Box Drive can be given through the CSSM. Contact Louise Leonard at 286-5162, Barb Walford-Davis at 286-2042 or Mary Hicks at 489-2297.

The Christmas Box Program provides food, toys, gift items, candies and winter clothing. Call the above numbers for drop off arrangements.

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Marci has taken to the outdoor life here in Haliburton County and all of the adventures it has offer. As a long-time cottager and now a permanent lakefront resident, Marci has specialized in wilderness and waterfront property.

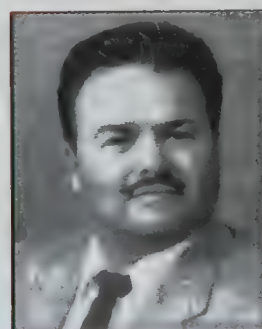
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Countrywide Haliburton Realty Ltd. is pleased to welcome David Lee to our team of real estate professionals. David started his real estate career in 1988 when he moved to the Minden area. Countrywide Haliburton Realty Ltd. wishes David continued success in the Highlands.

You can reach David at his new office number 286-2882 or his home at 457-3711.

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Community volunteers brought up to speed on policing methods



PACT grads

Members of community policing committees in Dorset, Fenelon Falls, Glamorgan, Haliburton, Kennisis Lake, Minden, Stanhope and Wilberforce received their certificates of participation in the P.A.C.T. program at the Stanhope Firefighters hall on November 28.

The seven week P.A.C.T. program (Police and Community Together) was put on by the Minden and Coboconk detachments of the OPP and was the first time it has been used in Haliburton County. The program covers topics such as the history of the Ontario Provincial Police, firearms training, the canine unit, search and rescue, safety and search and seizure tech-

niques with the hope that the individuals will be aware of police resources and have a better understanding of the OPP. The graduating class received certificates from Inspector G.W. Thompson of the OPP headquarters in Orillia.

Among those to receive certificates were, from the left: front row: Linda Lickiss, Ilona Annis, Margaret Parker, Lynda Burley, Violet Andruss, Marg Higgins and Peter Shephard. Middle row: Stacey Turnbull, Marie Warkentin, Suzanne Thivierge, Winston Turk and Roger Scheffee. Back row: Eric Huer, Andy Millar, Frank Sokol, Doug Goverde, Jim Higgins and Bill Lawrence.



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Bring unwrapped toys or food items to your Christmas party. We will pick them up and deliver them to the 4C's distribution centre of your choice. If you have already enjoyed your party, don't fret. Simply collect your items at the office and call for pick up. Fill in a ballot, and your job is done. One ballot will be drawn on Dec. 23rd. We are pleased to offer two prizes to the winner. The first is a booth at our Home, Cottage & Recreation Show in May. The booth space may be used by the winner or can be donated to a charitable organization for their use. The second is a one month swim membership donated by *Wig A Mog Inn*.

Last year thirty groups participated in our challenge. Our help is needed this year. Together we can make a difference!

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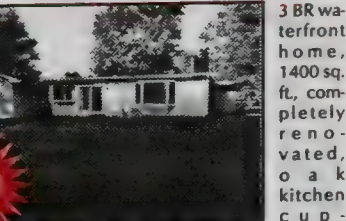
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Tuesday Senior League high single rolled by Theresa Fox

244 is the high for one game among the week's senior women bowlers

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Tuesday Seniors Mixed League

High average: Bob Bullen 203; Eleanor Young 180
High single: Nick Boekestyn 194; Theresa Fox 244
High single (handicap): Gerry Newton 247; Theresa Fox 290

High triple: Gerry Newton 560; Theresa Fox 604
High triple (handicap): Gerry Newton 613; Theresa Fox 650

Thursday Afternoon Seniors League

High average: Jerry Warren 200; Eleanor Lymer 178
High single: Gord Mitchell 233; Millie Boskett 200

High single (handicap): Gord Mitchell 306; Millie Boskett 265

High triple: Jerry Warren 600; Carolyn Beer 538
High triple (handicap): Gord Mitchell 744; Millie Boskett 692

Thursday Night Mixed League

(November 20)

High average: Walt Stegmaier 217; Joan Rivard 189
High single: Bryan Rivard 276; Sheila Woodcroft 219
High single (handicap): Dan Chumbley 308; Deb Cox and Sheila Woodcroft 259 (tied)
High triple: Dan Rivard 674; Sheila Woodcroft 584
High triple (handicap): Dan Rivard 737; Sheila Woodcroft 704

Tori Brown rolls 133 in YBC peewee league

Youth Bowling Council

Smurf

High single: Connor Cowan 48
High double: Connor Cowan 75

Peewee

High single: Robert Cox 114; Tori Brown 133
High double: Robert Cox 197; Tori Brown 228

Bantam

High single: Jeff Mickle 215; Lesley Cox 112
High triple: Bradley Brown 324; Lesley Cox 318

Junior

High average: Dennis Cox 193; Kelly Berry 169
High single: Dennis Cox 222; Kelly Berry 185
High triple: Matt Reinwald 577; Kelly Berry 465

Senior

High average: Trevor Clement 171; Elizabeth Goldenberg 141
High single: Tom Perrott 177; Nikki Fomenko 178
High triple: Trevor Clement 491; Nikki Fomenko 430



Consumers' Choice

Doug Wright of Port Perry was the winner of the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association's Consumers' Choice Raffle. Wright purchased a single ticket at the Barrie Flea Market this fall and his ticket was the lucky one. Wright chose a Ski-Doo MX-Z 670 from Prentice-Berry in Minden. Wright is seen here sitting on his new sled, with son Mitchel on his knee and wife Kim by his side. They are flanked by HCSA President Ken Evans (left) and Paul Prentice of Prentice-Berry.

Wedding Bells



Barry ~ Prentice

A beautiful wedding was held in Haliburton United Church at 3:30 p.m. on Oct. 18, 1997. (Minister Rev. Harry Morgan). The Bride, Andrea May Barry daughter of Merrie & Merrill Barry of West Guilford exchanged vows with Tony Duncan Prentice, son of Marg & Tom Prentice of Minden Ont. All the Bridal party looked perfectly attired as they supported the lovely couple. Many friends, family & relatives enjoyed the dinner & dance held in the evening at Minden Community Centre.

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The process continues

Planning effort divided into various sectors

(Report prepared by the Strategic Planning Committee.)

The Community Strategic Planning Process is well underway and requires your assistance. County Councillors have committed to coordinate the planning process and an interim steering committee has been established with meeting dates set until June. A Community Forum will be held in July to review and update the strategic plan and to ensure that the public is aware of and comfortable with the process and to obtain new input.

The function of the steering committee is to coordinate and communicate between the various orientations identified in the strategic plan; health, education, economic diversification, marketing, youth, seniors, transportation, and the natural environment. The process of establishing orientation groups has been initiated, but still requires many more volunteers to make it work. The excellent participation and interest this summer during the public consultation needs to continue if the process is to reach implementation. A press release will be issued every two months, following the meetings of the steering committee.

Family Services of Haliburton County has agreed to take a lead role on the youth development committee and are looking for volunteers (both young and adult) to participate. Youths have been meeting to identify priorities for projects as well as working to ensure that there is youth representation on various committees throughout the county, including municipal recreation committees and the community transportation steering committee.

The community transportation steering committee has agreed to act as the orientation group for transportation, to build on the work already in progress.

Marilyn Pennycook of Home Support Services will be representing the transportation orientation on the steering committee.

The Haliburton County Development Corporation has accepted an invitation by county council to take the lead in creating and developing the economic diversification committee with county council representation. This committee will generate ideas for economic development projects and transfer them to the appropriate groups as well as identify key activities, resources and infrastructure to accomplish the projects. The group will also strive to ensure that communication between the existing economic development groups continues on a regular basis to avoid duplication of work etc.

The county-wide marketing group will come into existence very soon, as work in all of the orientation committees will require marketing ideas and projects to be worked on very shortly.

Cheryl Murdoch has agreed to chair a committee based on educational issues. She has committed to set up a meeting with education providers including CHACE, SSFC and the Board of Education.

Ross Davies and Doug Campbell of Haliburton Highlands Health Services attended the steering committee meeting representing the health sector and will keep the steering committee apprised of the progress of the HHHS Board.

George Hamilton of the Stanhope seniors club has agreed to meet with other community seniors associations to try to generate interest in a county-wide association of retired people which can assist in the planning and implementation of strategic initiatives involving that group.

Carolynn Coburn, a member of the Stewardship Council, has agreed to lead the environment and natu-

ral resource managements committee. This group needs representation from a variety of sectors, i.e. environmental groups, forestry, tourism etc. In order to enhance understanding and communication between the various interests.

If you are interested in getting involved in any of these orientation groups, even if your time is limited, or you are only available part of the year, we have a position available for you. Your volunteer time is an investment in the future of Haliburton County. Please give us a call at 705-288-1333 if you are interested in enhancing the quality of life in the Haliburton Highlands for now and the future.

Public comment invited on Hwy. 35

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be subject to increases in traffic flow over the course of time.

Ed Hisson of Big Bob Lake felt that this improvement plan was an excellent idea. He said that in the summer the traffic volume is so high on Highway 35 that he avoids coming into Minden on the weekends. "I think that it is great that they (the MTO) would come out here and ask the people who live here for input," said Hisson.

Another public information centre will be held in Toronto at York Mills Collegiate at 490 York Mills Road and Leslie Street, on December 2 at 4 p.m.

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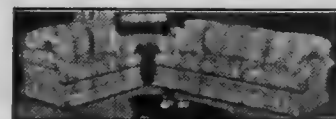
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Operation Storming Bear goes into hibernation



After 600 vehicles and thousands of chicken burgers, the Second Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group pulled out of Stanhope two weekends ago. Approximately 3000 soldiers stopped at the airport during the last two weeks, as part of a training operation for possible deployment to Bosnia.

Highway 118 was busy on Friday (November, 21) as roughly 450 vehicles travelled from their training area in Meaford, Ontario back to CFB Petawawa. Operation Storming Bear was a simulation of a long haul that may be performed in Bosnia. The Stanhope site was a refuelling station and a rest stop with food facilities, situated at the half-way point of the journey. Some of the troops in the exercise could be deployed to the former Yugoslavia in January and others in July.

Land vehicles were not the only craft participating in the operation, as six CH

146 Griffon helicopters flew overhead to ensure that the convoy was running smoothly. One helicopter was designated as a CASEVAC or a casualty evacuation team. If required it could transport any injured parties to a medical facility.

The Griffon Helicopters are a new addition to the 427 Tactical Helicopter Squadron, which itself is over 50 years old. The squadron was formed in 1942 during World War II and has participated in operations in Europe, Somalia and Haiti. The helicopters can reach speeds of 160 knots or 240 kilometres an hour. They are capable of lifting 11,900 pounds and can carry up to 15 people.

Military officials who participated stated that Storming Bear had been a success and that there were no major problems during the operation. Stanhope Airport could be used as a stop-over again next year.

Ecotourism conference held at Frost Centre

The Ecotourism Management Program at Sir Sandford Fleming College, Haliburton campus, in conjunction with the Ministry of Natural Resources' Leslie M. Frost Centre, held its third annual Ecotourism Conference on November 22. Over one hundred people from around the world participated in the event which is organized by the students in the Ecotourism Management Post Diploma program.

The theme of this year's conference was "Sustainable Design Decisions for Tourism Sites and Facilities." According to Angelo DiMondo, ecotourism student and the co-chair of marketing for the conference, the goal of the conference was to introduce the concept of environmental responsibility to site design of homes and businesses. "Educating people on ways that they can benefit from the environment is a very young philosophy. But we are simply saying that you already have the resources: what you need are the site and facility designs to make money. Haliburton is a gold mine. Once people see that other people are bringing in money, Haliburton could be as big as the Muskokas," he said.

According to Conference Coordinator Cathy Sloat, the student initiative was the driving force behind the conference.

The Ecotourism Management course is a one-year post-diploma program where students learn the promotion, marketing and management of tourism, while maintaining environmental responsibility. Where last year there were only nine participants from the Sir Sandford Program, this year over 20 took part in organizing and hosting the conference. "We have had some really positive comments from the participants," said Sloat. "And we have had a lot of comments on the student involvement in the project. Each of the speakers had a student host. Everyone has been very positive. The students' attitude was always positive and many took it upon themselves to attend to the details." Sloat said that one of the highlights of the conference was the adult campfire on Friday evening. "The evening campfire program with camp Tawingo's John Jorgenson was captivating. It was interesting to see most of the delegates, from students to business owners, to government staff, singing rounds of Row, Row, Row your boat." Sloat felt that the entire weekend was about finding the similarities between all participants, whether they were students or industry representatives.

Many of those participants surveyed felt that the Leslie M. Frost Centre was

the ideal location for such a conference, as it combines modern facilities within a natural setting. Barrie Martin of the Ministry of Natural Resources felt that the conference was well worth the effort. "As far as the Frost Centre perspective, it has been a very rewarding experience. It has been very enjoyable," he said.

The two-day conference covered a multitude of aspects under the umbrella of ecotourism. Numerous seminars were

held on topics such as alternative energy sources, trail and shoreline restoration, marketing from an ecotourism perspective and natural building construction, such as straw bale or adobe buildings. The seminars were designed to give participants the tools and methods to create a lucrative "green" tourism industry in order to promote and market ecotourism for profit. Cathy Sloat stated that the planning for next year's conference is already in the works.

31st Annual Minden bird count set for December 20

You may have counted your chickens before they've hatched but have you ever counted your Blue Jays?

The 31st annual Minden Christmas bird census is taking place this year on December 20. Residents of Moore Falls, Kinmount, Irondale, Locklin, Ingoldsby, Mountain Lake and Bob Lake and the surrounding areas are invited to report the birds they see at their feeding stations. The Minden Christmas bird count is one of 1700 similar counts that will take place in the holiday season across North, Central, and South America, as well as the West Indies.

The count is sponsored by the National Audubon Society. The society to-

tals each count and publishes the results. The results are very helpful in the research and study of birds and migration.

If you would like to join the group of birders who will be counting on December 20, or if you would like more information on the study, please call Pearl Barry at 286-1189.

You may also record the birds you see in your own yard on that day or if you see a rare bird on December 17 to 19 or December 21 to 23, this can also be included.

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Unfortunately, I have found there are a number of myths about Bill 160. It's time these myths were dispelled.

Myth: Bill 160 is about cutting costs.

Reality: That is nonsense. The Ontario government doesn't need Bill 160 to find savings--we could simply slash transfers, as the federal Liberals slashed their education transfers to the provinces.

What Bill 160 will do is ensure that the money we spend on education goes into the classroom, rather than unnecessary administration.

Myth: Bill 160 is a power grab.

Reality: Education reform concentrates more power where it matters most - at your local school. We will establish school councils at every school, where they will provide an essential advisory role.

Bill 160 gives the province more responsibility for school funding. This means we will ensure equity of funding - we will put the needed dollars into our schools in Victoria-Haliburton, so that our students will get the same education as students in Toronto and across the province.

Myth: Bill 160 says nothing about "students."

Reality: That's silly. It is true the word "student" isn't used in Bill 160 - that's because the legal word is "pupil". And for the record, the word "pupil" appears

244 times.

Myth: Bill 160 is dictatorial.

Reality: Bill 160 is consistent with most of the legislation passed in Canada in the twentieth century.

For example, critics have complained about a provision that allows the government to fire "officers" and "employees" of school boards if the board has been financially mis-

managed. The critics say this is a new sweeping power.

In fact, this section of Bill 160 was lifted from the Municipal Act, amended in 1935. The wording applies to both municipalities and school boards because they are forbidden by the Municipal Act from running deficits. This provision has only been used once, in a case of gross mismanagement.

I hope this helps to clarify the details of Bill 160.

Queen's Park Report

by Chris Hodgson, MPP

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Children's author Sylvia McNicoll demonstrates a judo move with Brian Wilkinson during her visit to Ridgewood Public School

Ridgewood students welcome author

Submitted by the Ridgewood Public School Student Press Club: Herb Barr, David Suggitt, Roxanne Marple and Lisa Laver.

An award winning writer of young people's books recently visited Ridgewood Public School. Author Sylvia McNicoll, who lives in Burlington, Ontario visited the school November 20.

She has won two awards

during her career - the Silver Birch Award and the Manitoba Young Readers Association Award. These honours were the result of nominations from students, which makes them very special to Sylvia.

At Ridgewood, she talked about her book "Bringing up Beauty" a the story of a family which raises a "foster dog" for the Canadian Institute for the Blind.

She also talked about her

judo classes and showed some of the simple moves. She gets her ideas for her writing by experiencing them herself. She does a lot of research for her stories and took judo for a few years for her book, "Facing the Enemy". McNicoll has written nine books and four more are in the works.

Her presentation provided an entertaining and informative afternoon for the students.

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The economy of many rural communities continues to be based on primary industries such as agriculture, mining, forestry and fishing. The federal government is helping rural communities to develop innovative approaches to increasing productivity in these sectors. Under the *Matching Investment Initiative*, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada and the agriculture industry have invested \$55 million so far this year for research and development and commercialization. The Canadian Adaptation and Rural Development Fund, with an annual budget of \$60 million, supports agricultural diversification and value-added processing, as well as innovative rural development.

Access to capital and new technology is of primary importance, because it allows rural businesses to take advantage of expansion opportunities and removes the barriers of isolation and distance.

To increase access to capital, we have doubled the dollar amount for loans under the *Farm Improvement and Marketing Loans Act*, to almost \$3 billion. We are providing an additional \$50 million to the Farm Credit Corporation to help small businesses acquire and use new technology. These funds will make it possible for the FCC to provide up to \$500 million more for loans.

The *Community Access Program* will get an addi-

tional \$30 million over three years to complete the connection to the Internet of 5,000 rural communities with populations of between 400 and 50,000, by the year 2000.

We are helping businesses in rural areas to find new markets for their products abroad. The positive results are already visible. Between 1993 and 1996, agri-food exports rose by 50 per cent, to a record \$20 million. To help Canadian exports compete with their

Ottawa report

by John O'Reilly, MP

foreign competitors, the Agri-food Credit facility will provide as much as \$1 billion in additional credit or credit insurance for foreign sales. The Agri-food Trade Service helps industry adapt to a more competitive global marketplace by offering development programs for exporters and a wealth of information on trade and government programs.

The federal government also promotes the diversification of rural economies. An area of special focus is the tourism sector, because of its immense job-creation potential. Under a 1997 Budget initiative, \$50 million is going to the Business Development Bank of Canada, to provide loans for expanding and improving tourism facilities outside major urban area. This investment will make it possible for the bank to offer up to \$250 million in new loans for tourism facilities.

Innovation, diversification and investment: these are the principles underlying the federal government's commitment to rural development, as expressed in the

September Speech from the Throne. Working together, the government and rural Canadians can continue to build the dynamic and diverse communities that are the backbone of our country.

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Chamber of Commerce

(from page 2)

through a rough period, however his initial examination indicates that the organization should be out of debt this spring, allowing it to move into a new phase of leadership and activity. "It is time to get the economy moving again," he concluded.

Joining Kernohan on the new executive will be vice president David Bishop Jr. of Haliburton Forest and Wildlife; secretary Margaret Hill, operator of Lakefront Cottage Bed and Breakfast; treasurer Chad Irvine of Dynocon Technologies Inc.; executive committee members Larry Hodgson, retired Toronto planner and Marvella Smith, Minden museum curator; and directors Larry Tupling of Silver Eagle Resort, Marion Teatro, Wayne Cowling of Hart Lodge, Peggy Cassils of Regal Capital Planners, Carol Dewey of WRD Associates, Beverlea Jackson of Finders, Don gage of Willow Beach Cottages and past president Connie Sims of Chez Brun Bed and Breakfast.

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Community support boosts CHACE day care

A dedicated group of parents and community members have pitched in to assist the C.H.A.C.E. staff and Board in the drive to keep the C.H.A.C.E. Minden Day Care afloat. The committee was formed mid-October in response to pressure exerted by parents and the community to keep the centre open, following notification of a scheduled closure of the financially troubled facility for November, 1997.

Committee members have acted quickly to coordinate fund raising and marketing initiatives to keep the Prentice Street facility viable. Targets to boost enrollment by the equivalent of nine full time toddlers and preschool children have been set. Funds in the amount of \$22,748 are to be raised to address the (projected 1997) deficit.

Community supporters of the Day Care have generously donated prizes for the "Day Care Dream Raffle", including: a Gary Chapman Watercolour; tickets for several Toronto Maple Leafs games, one of which is in Buffalo; Toronto Raptors tickets; Ford 'F' Series 50th Anniversary leather jacket; 5 oil, lube & filter changes from Keaney Chrysler; portable electric keyboard "Concertmate 410" and ten other fabulous prizes! The draw will be held at C.H.A.C.E. Day Care on December 19, 1997 at 6:30 p.m. Jacqueline Ziorjen (of Of Sound Body) has also kindly donated a half-hour massage to the ticket seller who sells the most tickets.

The committee is working hard to continue to get the word out to those looking for childcare to register their children in the Day Care. Following the advertising blitz supported by the Municipalities of Lutterworth and Anson, Hindon and Minden, over 300 flyers to promote enrollment were distributed at

CHACE Inc.
by Dianne Loucks, Executive Director

Hallowe'en. A poster campaign, featuring artwork of children currently enrolled at the facility, was launched earlier this month. A newly designed Day Care brochure will be circulated in the community at the beginning of December.

To date \$2,000.00 has been raised through a Cheese Fundraiser and direct donations. It is gratifying to see parents and the community support the continuation of a valuable service.

Other ways in which the community can support efforts to keep the Day Care open are through direct donations to accounts set up at Minden CIBC and Toronto-Dominion banks; purchase of Nevada tickets at the Norland Esso station and General Store, purchase of Craft Bags available at C.H.A.C.E.

For further information about activities of the Day Care Programme Working Group contact Wendy Sisson, C.H.A.C.E. Day Care, 286-4074.

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Residents busy with Christmas

Hello everyone! And how was your week?

Things are getting busy here as we get ready for the holiday season. On Friday November 21, residents, activity staff and volunteers spent time cheering up our home with Christmas decorations. It is certainly beginning to look a lot like Christmas. In the afternoon, our Happy Hour was very enjoyable with the music of C & M Musicmakers. The next day, a few of us were busy baking cookies for our upcoming Christmas Bazaar and Bake Sale.

On Sunday, Peg Pettinger went with her husband Ed, to his new home in Staunworth Court. There she was greeted by many friends who helped her celebrate her birthday.

We were saddened to hear of the passing of Marjorie Shuyler at 99 years of age. We send our condolences to her family and friends.

On Monday November 24 several residents were pleased to have Ed and Ruby McKelvey visit with them and in the evening we were very pleased to have the Scottish dancers with us. They are very charming people and what a lovely time we had.

A warm welcome to Mrs. Evelyn Clow and Harry Ineson who have joined us in our home.

Our craft group is still very busy finishing up items that will be for sale at our Christmas Bazaar. While we were working away, Linda Fry discussed the upcoming plans for the holiday season.

One special event will be a smorgasbord breakfast December 31. Linda was asking for suggestions and we were told (within reason of course) anything our hearts desire. Sounds like fun, doesn't it?

Yesterday, November 26, was spent trimming our Christmas trees and last week the floor in our auditorium was treated to a "Wax and Shine" by our maintenance

man. Looks just great: you can almost see your face in it, but it isn't slippery. In fact, our home is looking quite spiffy.

Today, the last day of the month is our birthday tea party and it will be hosted by the family of Lola Prentice. Also today we are saying goodbye to Llyn Shirley, our dietary and laundry supervisor. Llyn has been with us for seven and a half years and is relocating to Huntsville. We will miss her.

Time to remind you of the Bazaar and Bake Sale to be held Saturday, December 6 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. here at Hyland Crest in the auditorium. Hand made crafts, home baking etc. Come and visit and start your Christmas shopping. The draw for a beautiful quilt will also take place.

Here's an item that will make you chuckle:

"Dad was very conscious of his weight. One day he stood on the scales. I heard Mother say "It's no use you holding your tummy in, that won't help lessen your weight." Dad replied, "I know, but that's the only way I can see the numbers on the scale!"

Before we go, more of "My Christmas Memories".

"At home on Christmas Day, my Dad always took a piece of Christmas cake out to the horse (Maude). She was always a little bit cross, so he thought it would sweeten her up a bit. Although she wasn't always nice, she was still a good horse."

by Vera Barnhart.

"At the old School concerts, we would have an old fashioned basket social. I remember one time when Morgan and I went to the school concert. The boys found out what my basket looked like, so they bid Morgan up to \$42.00. That was a lot of money in those days."

by Lola Prentice.

Senior League

by the Roving Reporters

Minden W.I. hears about health services

The meeting of the Minden Women's Institute was held at the Library Centre on the afternoon of November 19 with Jean Cox presiding. She introduced our two guests and then called on Nancy Gayton, who very ably introduced our guest speaker, Ted Brandon, of Chris Hodgson's office in Lindsay.

He brought full and interesting details of new health care. This was very explicit as the aim is to help seniors and others to stay in their homes and there are new ideas in this matter. There will be many special services available. Haliburton, Victoria, and Northumberland Counties are combining so everyone may receive excellent care in their homes. There were also some questions answered on our new hospital and Hyland Crest with construction starting in the spring.

He was presented with a small gift by Irene Moore and we all showed our appreciation with our applause.

There were 13 members and two guests

present. Everyone related how they cheered themselves up. We are to keep articles for our yard sale to be held on the May 1998 holiday weekend. Irene Moore gave a report of 12 cards sent and collections were taken for the card fund and Pennies for Friendship. Members are still to turn in their family histories and house logs for our history book. Thanks you Nancy for such an interesting program.

We were invited to the Terrace for our Christmas pot luck at noon on December 17. We had an excellent report from convention by delegates Jean and Mary Cox and also the district report by the latter.

Of interest, Jean Cox read suggestions that as a courtesy to the deaf people we know, be sure to face them as they may lip read.

Members, don't forget to bring a guest to the Christmas meeting on December 17 at noon and all other ladies are welcome as well.

Jeanne Sears, PRO

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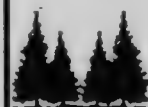
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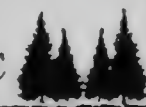
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Around the County Town

by Nora Snyder (call 286-4425)

It is hard to believe this is the first day of the Christmas month!

There is so much happening in our town and county. As I write this column, the events of the weekend are yet to occur. I plan to take in the Moonlight Madness Sale on Friday night. I know I'll find some good bargains!

Saturday is full of so many things for one and all! The Minden Rotary Club and The Minden Lions Club is filling the day with wonderful things for the children like the Christmas Party at Hyland Crest, the annual Santa Claus Parade, (I remember the people lined street last year), and the movie for kids after that. All that should start the Christmas excitement!

To continue the Christmas theme, a reminder that The Minden Bible Church is holding its Children's Clubs Christmas Program on Thursday, December 4, at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is invited!

On December 6, between 1-3 p.m., the community is invited to the Open House at the Minden Rotary Community Outreach Centre. Great things are happening there! The Rotary Club would love you to join them over coffee and cake to learn what the new centre is all about.

The winners at the Minden Legion Euchre on November 20 were: most lone hands: Mary Wilson and David Leslie; high score, Verna McDonald and Tod Edgson; low lady, Sandy Kieckhoefer;

low man, Helen Skelding; other prizes: Norm Lee, Sherin Brown, Pat Scadden, Jim Bradbury and Truman McNeil.

All women in Haliburton County are invited to attend a lovely evening of Christmas music and fellowship at the Zion United Church's Christmas in Carnarvon celebration. The gathering is this Wednesday, December 3, at 7:30 p.m.

The Seniors Bid Euchre on November 25 at the Minden Legion had these winners: Jack Chilton, Norm Lee and Marcel Roussel. The hidden score was won by Walter Ackerblade. Norm Lee, Gala Stamp and Jack Chilton won the moonshots. In fact Gala won two! I must apologize to Marie Dennie for really getting her name in last week's column!

An interesting article about an interesting group in last week's paper. I am speaking of The Business Women's Network of Haliburton County. It's wonderful when people get together to help one another rather than just being in competition. As mentioned in the article the group meets on the second Monday of every month. Therefore the next meeting is Monday, December 8. Please call Sally Moore at 286-4922 for more details.

St. Paul's Friendship Club met at their usual Monday afternoon time, on November 24. Lone hands was won by Jeanne Sears; high man by Jack Chilton; high lady and the draw were both won

by Verna McDonald!

Jeanne Sears kindly called me this week with some tips on writing this column. She told me she wrote it for 16 years! What an accomplishment! As I start out, I wonder how long I'll be doing it? Jeanne mentioned that on Monday night she saw the M.I.R. spacecraft low in the western sky around 6 o'clock. It was so bright you could make out the shape of it! Maybe if we have a clear night some time soon it will be visible again.

On November 19, Euchre was played at the Stanhope Firehall. There were 5 moonshots. Ladies' High Ida Young, 250; Katie Parker, 237; Helen Lee, 232. Mens' high were Bill Milford, 295; Ken Walker, 269; Norm Lee 261.

Stanhope bridge results from last week: first Dorothy Strype; second Muriel McIntosh, third Russ Fair. other prize Chris Schrader.

Good Samaritans abound at this time of the year and it is always a pleasure to recognize their efforts. The local real estate offices have set up boxes to collect food and gift items for the 4C's Christmas boxes. Anyone wishing to make a donation to help needy families in the county can do so by dropping it off at any real estate office. As well, the members of the Haliburton County Home Builders' Association has launched its second annual Christmas

Challenge. The association is once again challenging organizations, companies and groups to collect unwrapped food items and gifts at their Christmas parties and turn them over to the Four C's for Christmas distribution. Each contributing group will be eligible for a draw for an 8 X 10 booth at the Home Builders' Home and Cottage Show in May plus a one month family swim membership donated by Wig A Mog Inn.

The Minden Girl Guides, Pathfinders and the Highland Rangers are holding a Tea and Craft Sale on December 6 from 1-5 p.m. at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery. The crafts are made by the girls and the proceeds go to each group. By coming out to this event you will be supporting these great organizations

The final euchre scores come from Gelert played on November 25, in the evening. Isabel Saunders was high lady; Emily Harvie low lady; Audrey Vick was high man; Harold Harvie low man; Earl Schellenberg, lone hands; Isa Hilyer won the 50\50 draw.

I hope everyone enjoyed all the Pre-Christmas activities on the weekend. Our town is sure starting to look like the festive season! The lights along the main street and up Bobcaygeon Road look great! I see that Jeanne has her lights on the tree by the bridge! You were right Jeanne, they look wonderful! Until next week....

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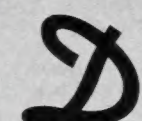
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More info Call Carol 286-4145. 12A Lochlin Park & Community Centre are holding their 2nd ANNUAL POT LUCK DINNER Sunday, December 7, 1997 Two sittings: 5:30 & 6:30 p.m. Call Betty Hicks to reserve. 286-2029. Ham & Turkey supplied Adults \$6.00 Children 11 & under \$3.00 12A	BARTENDING Professional or Home Entertaining, learn the art of mixing and dispensing alcoholic beverages. Smart Serve will NOT be offered as part of this course, however this training is available at the college. DATES: Wednesday, January 7-28, 1998 TIMES: 7-10 p.m. FEE: \$95 (includes materials) CODE: HYGW8052 LOCATION: The Moose, Wig-A-Mog Inn. Registration deadline: December 19, 1997 For further information call Sir Sandford Fleming College at 457-1680. 11D&12B "THE CALCIUM CONNECTION" Prevent and reverse degenerative diseases and conditions with an alkaline pH through coral calcium, shark liver oil and other nutrients. Meetings: Friday, December 5, 7:30 p.m. at Agnes Jamieson Gallery, Main Street, Minden. 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Lin Cole (705)454-9116. 11D12A First Wednesday of each month, Fibromyalgia meetings at the home of Sybil Roodenburg, south of Minden on Hwy 35. 12A CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON Friday, December 5, 1997 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Our Lady of Fatima Church Soup, Sandwiches, Goodies Tea or Coffee - \$4.00 12A Open Meeting Thursday, December 4, 1997 Haliburton Hospital Boardroom Mental Health Planning Group 5 to 7 p.m. Topic: Implementation Task Force and Working Group. 12A	Haliburton County Farmers' Association ANNUAL POT LUCK DINNER Friday, December 5, 1997 West Guilford Community Centre 7 p.m. Remember to bring something for the Chinese Auction. 12A DOOR TO DOOR FOOD & TOY DRIVE Tuesday, December 9 at 7 p.m. Non-Perishable Food Items and new or good condition used toys. Minden Fire Department & Police Support Association 286-4988 Donations may also be dropped off at the Fire Station that evening. 12AB THE WISH LIST IS HERE! Choose the dishes that interest you and we'll price it. 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We would also like to thank the ladies from the Gelert community for the delicious luncheon served after the funeral. A special thank you to Gord Monk and his staff for the eulogy service and caring attention to detail. All the cards, calls and flowers from the community were greatly appreciated. THANK YOU The petition is finished. We will be getting traffic lights at the intersection of Highways 118 and 35 in 1999 (as of now) but we want them in 1998! Many thanks to everyone who allowed the petition in their place of business and to all who signed. WE DID IT!! The MTO has listened to our voices. I am overwhelmed with the results and the approximately 2600 signatures. Mrynna.

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SHUYLER Marjorie A.

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ARMSTRONG, Frank

(Retired OPP Officer)

At Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay on Wednesday morning, November 26, 1997, in his 74th year. Loving father of Jim and his wife Carolyn of Mississauga. Loving grandfather of Cheryl and Lori. Friends are invited to call at the Pioneer Baptist Church, Highway 35, Norland, on Monday, December 1 for a Memorial Service at 2 p.m. Interment later at Pinegrove Cemetery, Norland. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Coboconk Community Funeral Home, Coboconk, Ontario (705) 454-3913.

MISEVICS, Edward

At St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto on Friday, November 28, 1997 in his 77th year. Beloved husband of Elsa Zeising. Ed Misevics was the last surviving member of his family. Friends are invited to call at Coboconk Community Funeral Home, Cameron Street, (on Highway 35), in Coboconk, (705) 454-3913, on Monday morning, December 1 from 10 o'clock until the time of the Funeral Service in the Chapel at 11 o'clock. Interment later Pinegrove Cemetery, Norland. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family.

IN MEMORIAM

HUGHES - In loving memory of our dear sons and brothers who passed away suddenly, Laverne August 20, 1978, Lanny, November 29, 1982 and a beloved husband, father and grandfather, Roy, who passed away May 17, 1991. *The world changes year to year And friends from day to day, But never will the ones we loved From memory pass away. Forever loved and sadly missed by wife, Reita, Lenore, Neil and Wendy, Bryce and Cathy and families.*

AT REST

COBURN, M. Grace

Peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital on Saturday November 29, 1997, in her 92nd year. Beloved wife of the late Lorne Coburn, loving mother of Carolyn Coburn of Minden, dear sister-in-law of Marjorie Coburn of Lindsay. Predeceased by her brothers Duncan, Murray, Kenneth and Fergus Richardson and her sister Stella Richardson. Fondly remembered by her nieces and nephews and many dear friends. Friends may visit at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home, 127 Main Street, Minden from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, then to Minden United Church for Funeral Service on Wednesday December 3, at 1 p.m. Cremation to follow. Memorial donations to the Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home or the Minden Hospital Building Fund would be appreciated.

IN MEMORIAM

MARTIN, Lillian - In loving memory of a dear mother who passed away December 3, 1996. *My life goes on without you And nothing is the same I have to hide my heartache When someone speaks your name. Living my life without you Is the hardest part of all You did so many things for me Your heart always kind and true The special years will not return But with the love in my heart You will walk with me forever.* Sadly missed and lovingly remembered by **Kathy**.

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BURK, Tim - In memory of a dear friend taken December 8, 1992.

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